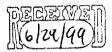


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Caltrate® PLUS Chewables

Notification of Statements on Dietary Supplement Labels

Elizabeth A. Yetley, Ph.D., R.D., Director Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20204

Dear Dr. Yetley:

Reference is made to Caltrate' PLUS Chewables, marketed by Whitehall-Robins Healthcare ("Whitehall-Robins"), a division of American Home Products Corporation.

Pursuant to Section 403(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, as codified in 21 U.S.C. \$343(r)(6), notification is submitted for structure/function statements made on the following dietary supplement product.

Product Name: Caltrate PLUS Chewables

Ingredients: Calcium Carbonate, Vitamin D, Magnesium, Zinc, Copper,

Manganese, Boron

Company Name/ Whitehall-Robins Healthcare

Address: Five Giralda Farms

Madison, New Jersey 07940

Statements on the Label:

Side Panel of Label

- Each chewable tablet provides more calcium for your bones than any leading brand.*
- Caltrate 600 PLUS Chewables also contains these six additional fortifying nutrients essential for healthy bone formation.*

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- Magnesium Important for maintaining strong bones.*
- Zinc, Copper, Manganese Essential for skeletal development. *

In accord with 21 CFR \$101.93, the disclaimer statement is **bolded** and boxed on the panel of the carton where structure/function claims appear.

Additionally, the back panel of the label contains the health claim "may reduce the risk of osteoporosis" with all required information for use of such claim.

The undersigned certifies that the information contained in this notice is complete and accurate, and that Whitehall-Robins has substantiation that the statements made are truthful and not misleading.

-As required, the original and two copies of this notification are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the undersigned at (973) 660-575 1.

Sincerely,

WHITEHALL-ROBINS HEALTHCARE

Eleanor F. Barbo Senior Director Regulatory Affairs